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SUBJ: EGYPTIAN DEPUTY SPECIFIES EGYPT'S OBJECTIVES IN SC

1. EGYPTIAN DEPUTY PERM REP AHMED SOUGHT OUT MISSION OFFICER JULY 17 TO URGE THAT US AND EGYPTIAN MISSIONS STAY IN CLOSEST TOUCH DURING COMING WEEK AND WORK TOGETHER ON MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE RESOLUTION LANGUAGE. MISOFF SAID WE WOULD WELCOME SUCH CO-OPERATION AND NOTED AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN HAD SET UP MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR MEGUID BEFORE THIS AFTERNOON'S 3:00 P.M. SC CONSULTATIONS.

2. AHMED STRESSED THAT EGYPT WISHED TO DO NOTHING AT UN THAT MIGHT JEOPARDIZE SECRETARY'S EFFORTS TO REACH INTERIM AGREEMENT. HIS GOVERNMENT WAS FULLY AWARE OF DANGER OF UNBALANCED LANGUAGE EMERGING THAT COULD PROVOKE A US VETO.

3. AHMED SAID EGYPT'S IMMEIDATE OBJECTIVE WAS INCLUSION
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OF LANGUAGE IN UNEF RENEWAL RESOLUTION THAT WOULD MAKE IT

CLEAR FORCE WAS NOT BEING USED SIMPLY TO PROLONG THE STATUS QUO. BASIS FOR THIS LANGUAGE EXISTED IN PARA 27 OF SYG'S REPORT (USUN 3340). SOMETHING ALONG LINES OF FIRST SENTENCE OF PARA 27 MIGHT BE INCLUDED IN OPERATIVE PARA OF RESOLUTION. (THIS SENTENCE READS: "I CONSIDER THE CONTINUED PRESENCE OF UNEF TO BE ESSENTIAL NOT ONLY TO MAINTAIN QUIET IN THE EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI SECTOR BUT ALSO TO PROVIDE AN ATMOSPHERE CONDUCIVE TO FURTHER EFFORTS TOWARDS THE ACHIEVEMENT OF A JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND TO ASSIST, IF REQUIRED, IN SUCH FURTHER EFFORTS.") AHMED CONTINUED THAT RESOLUTION MUST IN EGYPT'S VIEW CONTAIN LANGUAGE MAKING IT CLEAR THAT ONE OF UNEF'S FUNCTIONS WAS TO SUPERVISE THE WITHDRAWAL OF FORCES FROM OCCUPIED TERRITORY. DISCUSSION ENDED WITH UNDERSTANDING THAT US AND EGYPTIAN MISSIONS WOULD CONSULT TOGETHER ON MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE LANGUAGE.

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